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CONVERSION FACTORS

For the convenience of readers who may prefer to use metric (International System) units rather than the inch-pound units used in this report, values may be converted by using the following factors:

Multiply inch-pound unit	Ву	To obtain metric unit
	<u>Length</u>	
<pre>foot (ft) mile (mi)</pre>	0.3048 1.609	meter (m) kilometer (km)
	<u>Area</u>	
square foot (ft ²) square mile (mi ²) acre acre	0.09294 2.590 4,047 0.4047	square meter (m ²) square kilometer (km ²) square meter (m ²) hectare
	<u>Volume</u>	
cubic foot (ft ³) gallon (gal) gallon (gal)	0.02832 0.003785 3.785	<pre>cubic meter (m³) cubic meter (m³) liter (L)</pre>
	<u>Flow</u>	
cubic foot per second (ft^3/s)	0.02832	cubic meter per second (m ³ /s

<u>Sea level</u>: In this report "sea level" refers to the National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 (NGVD of 1929)--a geodetic datum derived from a general adjustment of the first-order level nets of both the United States and Canada, formerly called "Sea Level Datum of 1929."

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ABSTRACT

The lithology, thickness, and extent of eight distinct hydrogeologic units are described and mapped within the study area. These units underlie the East Portland area of northwestern Oregon. The thickness, extent, and top of each unit are shown on contour maps at scales of 1:24,000. Their stratigraphic relations are displayed on a diagrammatic cross section. The geologic setting and unit lithology are described in the text. A data table presents information on each well or boring that was used for determining the thickness, extent, and lithology of each hydrogeologic unit.

The hydrogeologic units range in age from late Miocene to Holocene and include several facies of the Troutdale Formation and Sandy River Mudstone, as well as Quaternary deposits of the Columbia River. From oldest to youngest, these units are referred to as: the sand and gravel aquifer, confining unit 2, Troutdale sandstone aquifer, confining unit 1, unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer, Columbia River sand aquifer, Blue Lake gravel aquifer, and overbank deposits. The total thickness of these sedimentary deposits is more than 1,300 feet in the study area.

INTRODUCTION

In 1975, the City of Portland Water Bureau (PWB) began a program to study the development of ground water as an alternative to surface water from the Bull Run watershed (Willis, 1977). After drilling and testing several exploratory wells, PWB proposed development of a well field along the south shore of the Columbia River in eastern Multnomah County (fig. 1). A final design capacity of 100 million gallons per day is projected for the completed well field. In 1987, 19 production wells had been completed, as well as more than 50 test, piezometer, and exploratory wells.

The PWB drilling program generated new geologic and hydrologic data that made possible the description of eight distinct hydrogeologic units within sediments of the Portland Basin. The U.S. Geological Survey, in cooperation with the City of Portland Water Bureau, began a study to map these eight units.

Purpose and Scope

The purpose of this report is to describe the lithology, thickness, and extent of a portion of the hydrogeologic system underlying the East Portland area. Knowledge of the hydrogeologic characteristics of the system and their relation to the regional geologic setting will strengthen the understanding of how ground water flows through the system. Mapping of the thickness and extent of the aquifers will provide input for a ground-water flow model of the Portland Basin.

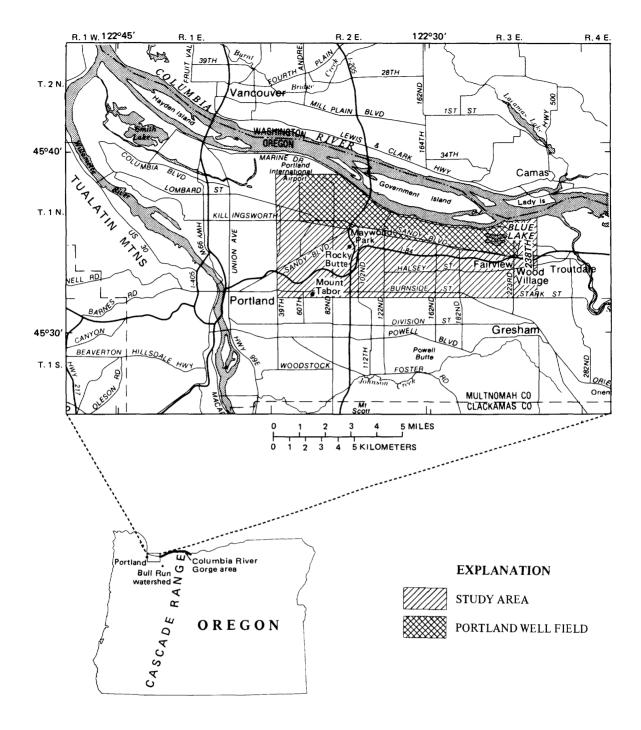


Figure 1.--Location of study area

Location

The study area includes approximately 35 square miles of eastern Multnomah County in northwestern Oregon. The contour maps center around the Portland well field area on the south shore of the Columbia River. The Columbia River forms the northern boundary of the study area. On the east, south and west, the study area is roughly bounded by N.E. 238th Avenue, S.E. Stark Street (Willamette Baseline), and N.E. 39th Avenue (fig. 1). The study boundary encloses all wells drilled by the PWB as of 1987.

Method of Investigation

Interpretation of geologic logs, natural gamma logs, aquifer test data, and selected driller reports was made to determine the altitude of the top of each unit and its thickness. These data are available in the Portland Office of the U.S. Geological Survey.

Wells drilled for the PWB and some other well owners in the study area have been field located by the U.S. Geological Survey. Wells that have not been field located are located to the nearest 40-acre quarter-quarter section as reported in drillers reports, maps, surveys provided by the well owner, or in maps published in previous reports (Foxworthy and others, 1964; Hogenson and Foxworthy, 1965; Willis, 1977 and 1978). Wells used in this study are plotted on a base map at 1:24,000 (sheet 1) and are also referenced in table 1. The altitude of land surface at the well head has either been surveyed or estimated from topographic maps (contour interval, 10 feet).

Well Designations

Designations of wells mentioned in this report are based on the official system for rectangular subdivision of public lands, referenced to the Willamette Base Line and Meridian. The well number indicates the location of the well by township, range, section, and the position of the well within the section (fig. 2). The first numeral indicates the township; the second, the range; the third, the section in which the well is located. The letters following the section number locate the well within the section. The first letter denotes the quarter section (160 acres); the second, the quarter-quarter section (40 acres); the third, the quarter-quarter-quarter section (2.5 acres). A number following the letters indicates one or more wells in the same subdivision. For example, well number 1N/2E-29DABD1 is in the SE 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, SE 1/4, Sec. 29, T.1 N., R.2 E. and is one well drilled in this subdivision.

On the well-location map (sheet 1), the section number and a two- or four-letter section subdivision and sequence number are shown adjacent to the well symbol. The township and range grid on sheet 1 follows surveyed township, range, and section lines where possible with a solid line; the line is dashed where inferred.

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GEOLOGIC SETTING

The extent and boundaries of the hydrogeologic system in the East Portland area are best understood by describing its relation to the regional geologic setting. Correlation of hydrogeologic units in the East Portland area with geologic units outside the study area is possible using lithologic, geochemical, and stratigraphic comparisons.

WELL NUMBER: See text for description of well numbering system.

ALTITUDE: Altitude of land surface at well site is in reference to sea level. Surveyed where accuracy is shown in table; otherwise interpolated from topographic maps (contour interval, 10 feet).

DEPTH OF WELL OR TUBE: Total depth drilled.

DIAMETER OF WELL OR TUBE: Insenter of outermost casing visible at land surface (diameter of boring is that diameter visible at land surface).

DEPTH OF CASING: Depth of deepest casing in the well.

FINISH: F = perforated, S = screened, X = open hole, O = open end, A = abandoned, B = backfilled. Interval shown is the open interval (except for "B" or "A"); may include several blank casing sections where numerous open intervals exist in one well.

HYDROGEOLOGIC UNITS: OB = Overbank deposits, CRSA = Columbia River sand aquifer, BLGA = Blue Lake gravel aquifer, UG/TGA = unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer (ull = Confining unit 1, TSA = Troutdale sandstone aquifer, CUZ = Confining unit 2, SGA = sand and gravel aquifer. For explanation of units, see text.

WATER LEVEL: Those water levels that are above land surface are preceded by a minus (-) sign. Water levels are measured where accuracy is shown in table; otherwise, water levels are reported.

TYPE OF TEST: F = pump test; B = bailer test; A = air test; R = reported.

RYMARKS: Owner's well number noted where known.

DATA AVAILABILITY: Dashed ("--") where data is unavailable; queried ("??") where interpretation of data is uncertain or unknown; "~" indicates approximate measurement reported on well report.

ABBREVIATIONS used in table: *** = see data below for piezometer data; * = original driller's report unavailable, deepening only.

Well number	Owner	Year com- pleted	Alti- tude (ft)	Depth of well or tube (ft)	Dia- meter of well or tube (in)	Depth of casing (ft)	Dia- meter of oper inter- val (in)	Finish	Hydro- geologic units	Water level above/ below land surface (ft)	Date of water- level meas- ure- ment	Dis- charge (gpm)	Draw- down (ft)	Pump- ing period (hrs)		
T. 1 N. R. 1 E.																
	All Saints' Church All Saints' Church	1949 1965	218 220	1700 230	8 10	375 230	8 10	P,290-375 P,182-196		170 162	12/11/65 11/16/65		70 15	8 8	P P	Ladd well
	T. 1 N. R. 2 E.															
09CA1 09CB1 09DBDB1	Louie Chang United Airlines City of Portland	1924 1974 1985	20 23 19	110 110 423	6 20 8	107 110 418	6 8 5	X P,96-106 S,148-203 S,307-369		1,50 15	04/08/74 05/23/85		9 16	8 6	P P	Rpt to be unused 25/30 TW, test data for both intervals
09DDDC1	Port of Portland	1949	29.18	250	10	190	10	P,171-185		16	08/10/49	575	96		P	16AA; test data for
13CDCC1 13CDCC2 14CA1	City of Portland City of Portland Bert Walker	1980 1981 1963	20 20 10	571 568 122	10 24 6	569 568 122	6 12 6	X,190-218 S,484-559 S,484-558 O	SGA	-11.55 -11.55 23	11/06/80 02/03/81 11/01/63	2464	27 165 47	4 36 1	P P B	both open intervals 6TW 6PW
14CC1 14DDDB1 14DDDB2 15BA4 15BA5	NW Natural Gas City of Portland City of Portland OR Dept of Transp OR Dept of Transp	1981 1981 1982 1971-72		400 600 585 189 246	10 6 24 N/A N/A	20 582 585 N/A N/A	8.75 6 12 N/A N/A	X,20-400 S,496-575 S,495-575 N/A N/A		-4.04 -6.50 N/A N/A	 12/08/81 03/30/82 N/A N/A		N/A 23 189 N/A N/A	N/A 4 24 N/A N/A		Not a water well 11TW: ABD 10/82 11PW Boring 50 Boring 51
15BA6 15BA7 15BA8 15BADD1 15BADD2	OR Dept of Transp OR Dept of Transp OR Dept of Transp City of Fortland City of Fortland	1971-72 1971-72 1971-72 1984 1985	25	241. 246. 244	3 N/A 5 N/A 5 N/A 8 16	N/A N/A N/A 228 228	N/A N/A N/A 5 12	N/A N/A N/A S,130-218 S,140-218		N/A N/A N/A 15 11.87	N/A N/A N/A 09/26/84 03/26/85		N/A N/A N/A 25 51	N/A N/A N/A 6 36	N/A	Boring 52 Boring 53 Boring 54 31TW
15BCAC1	City of Portland City of Portland Candida Cereghino City of Portland City of Portland	1985 1985 1958 1977 1984	22.14 22.13 22 23.93 14.94	675 364 328	8 24 10 8 2	640 667 360 328 79	5 12 10 6 2	S,490-635 S,480-625 X,360-364 S,244-320 S,79-84	SGA TSA	-9.24 -10.40 20 	01/17/85 05/16/85 06/10/58 10/26/77	3200 400	160 31 11	10 24 3 48	P P P	34TW 34PW 23 Piezometer
	ibe ibe	1985 1976	16 17.00	460 708 189 406 521 565	16 18 1.5 1.5 1.5	403 518	1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5	S,375-421 S,186-189 S,403-406 S,518-521 S,562-565	UG/TGA TSA SGA	-10.30 -6.57 -8.40 -14.40 -13.86	01/28/85 09/12/79 10/15/80 10/15/80 10/15/80	N/A N/A N/A	186 N/A N/A N/A N/A	168 N/A N/A N/A N/A	P	28FW 15CB1, Exploratory well
15CBAC3 15CDAA1	City of Portland City of Portland City of Portland City of Portland	1977 1985 1984 1984	16.03 17.11 21.86 21.68	236 457	8 24 16 8	226 225 448 415	6 24 9.5 5	S,69-220 S,124-220 S,377-438 S,138-218 P,325-415	TSA CRSA	9 5 -4.62 14	09/24/77 01/04/85 10/01/84 01/04/85 08/13/84	1900	14 48 193 48 30	48 72 24 72 6	P P P P	15CB2, Pilot well 22EW 29EW 29EW 22EW 26/32TW; test data for both intervals
15DBCB1 15DBDB1	City of Portland Michel Development	1984 1984 Co 1962 ?? 1959	21.63 21.63 20 22 23.21	448 360 68	16 16 8 1.5	270 421 340 65 345	14 10 6 1.5	S,167-260 S,337-411 X,340-360 S,60-65 P,336-345	TSA TSA ??	16 -1.65 	10/23/84 11/07/84 	4000 2500 N/A 180	64 105 N/A 35	24 24 N/A 4	P P - - P	32PW 26PW ICN plant ICN monitoring well 16AB1
16ACAC1 16ADBC1 16CC1	City of Portland City of Portland A. & R. Spada	1985 1977 1964	7 14.56 40	399 400 243	8 8	400 241	6 8	S,347-386 P,42-60 P,226-237	UG/TGA	 -5.78 32	10/30/77 07/31/64	720 400	28 51	 48 4	- P P	16AD1 Test data for both open intervals
16CD1	Cosmo Spada	1940	40	125	8	125	8	P, 115-125		5	00/00/40	150	3	3	P	•
17CA1 17CA2 17DA1 17DC1 18CB1	Louis Calcagno Bernie Calcagno Cosmopolitan Airtel Warren Northwest John Ganien	1959 1972 1968 1957 1941	65 65 21 50 100	70 67 80 98 100	6 8 20 12 6	71 67 80 98 104	6 8 20 12 6	O P,45-65 P,63-75 P,53-98 X,104-110	?? ?? TGA? ?? ??	46 42 9 40 90	02/05/59 08/03/72 06/11/68 02/16/57 00/00/41	450	.5 36 	1 3 24 4 1	B P P -	
18CB2 19CD1 20AA1 20AA2 20DA1	E.A. Press Rose City Cemetary Pac Rock Prod, Inc NW Natural Gas NW Natural Gas	1942 1950 1981 	100 248 100 115 155	100 271 84 300 400	6 8 10 	93 271 84 	6 8 10	X,93-100 O P,60-82	?? ?? ?? UG/TGA UG/TGA	87 230 43 	00/00/42 04/10/50 07/09/81 	300	255 7 N/A N/A	1 8 N/A N/A	P P -	Not a water well Not a water well
21CCCD1 40' To 230' To 430' To 22CD1 22DC1	ipe	1976 1969 1962	239.17 160 135	648 40 230 430 180 350	18 1.5 1.5 1.5 6		1.5	S,37-40 S,227-230 S,427-430 P,175-179 P,133-210 P,307-310	?? ?? ??	203.72 202.57 131 125	12/17/81 12/17/81 12/17/81 06/12/69 04/30/62	N/A 30	N/A N/A N/A 1 4	N/A N/A N/A 1 6	- - B P	28CC exploratory well Test data for both open intervals

ell umber	Owner	Year com- pleted	Alti- tude (ft)	Depth of well or tube (ft)	Dia- meter of well or tube (in)	Depth of casing (ft)	Dia- meter of open inter- val (in)	Finish	Hydro- geologic units	Water level above/ below land surface (ft)	Date of water- level meas- ure- ment	Dis- charge (gpm)	Draw- down (ft)	Pump- ing period (hrs)	Type of test	Remarks
3AACB1	Joe GrosJaques	1967	20	365	10	215	<u>T.</u> 8-10	1 N. R. 2 P,112-215		12.50	02/04/67	80	40	30	P	Test data for both
3BCAC1 3BCDB1 3DA1	Parkrose Water Dist Parkrose Water Dist Pierce Trainer & Eqp	1970 1965 1959	30 31 45	65 63 63	34 24 6	65 63	24 24	B,215-365 S,41-61 S,33-63		17 24	02/18/70 01/22/62	2325 2450 40	25 13 10	26 16	P P B	open intervals 3PW 2PW
3DB1 4AA1 4AABC1 4AABC2	George Okita Amil Spada City of Portland City of Portland	1955 1980 1979 1980	40 10 25.35 25.35	47 87 520 531	6 6 20	47 83 520	6 6 10	O S,82-87 A S,389-515		19 11.50 20 -11.55	11/02/55 12/16/80 10/29/79 07/11/80	35 85 2400	10 2 80	2 3	B P - P	1TW 1PW
4AACC1 4AC1 4AD1 4AD2 4ADCB1 4ADCB2	City of Portland KKSN Radio H.A. Wagner Harry Venema City of Portland City of Portland	1977 1985* 1960 1971 1977 1980	25.13 20 15 20 17 17	490 51 60 76 330 538	8 6 6 8 24	490 51 61 77 320 509	6 4 6 5 6 12	S,425-489 P,37-50 O P,70-76 S,251-320 S,411-504	UG/TGA UG/TGA UG/TGA	-6.93 5 6 13 -10.16 -10.40	11/14/77 05/29/85 08/02/60 10/09/71 12/16/77 06/21/82	50 40 730 3000	37 17 30 50 129	48 1 1 48 24	P A B - P P	24AA2 24AD2 2FW
4ADCC1 4BA1 4BA2 4BA3 4BDBD1	City of Portland Roy K. Roberts Roy K. Roberts Tuhe Specialities, Ind City of Portland	1977 1964 1976	13.93 20 20 20 20	505 50 104 280 395	8 6 6 6	500 51 104 268 389	6 6 5 6	S,380-489 O O S,268-278 S,283-365	SGA UG/TGA UG/TGA TSA	-13.86 9 9.50 28	08/16/77 10/07/64 09/01/76 07/25/85 09/11/81	700 100 24 68 450	14 1 76 76 27	36 10 4 4	P P B P	2TW
4BDBD2 4CA1 4CA2 4CA3 4CA4	City of Portland Shady Rest Auto Park Pacific Equipment Co J.W. Huserick David & Adele Nelsen	1982 1941 1965 1965	15 45 20 28 25	375 54 35 27 58	16 6 6 6	375 54 35 24 58	12 6 6 6 6	S,282-365 O O X,24-27		-3.47 	01/12/82 07/16/65 08/22/65 07/06/76	2500 30 75 15 20	196 3 2	48 2 2	P P B B	10PW
4CACA1 4CACA2 4CD1 4CD2 4CDAC1		1983 1983 1949 1957 1971	39 39 45 45 70	568 560 86 63 90	6 22 6 6 8	562 560 86 62 90	6 12 6 6 8	S,442-552 S,419-550 O X,62-63 P,70-85		3 3.90 60 33 53	05/13/83 07/27/83 09/00/49 07/22/57 02/08/71	425 2500 10 40 215	45 127 10 1	4 24 1 1 8	P P - B P	16TW 16PW
4DA1 4DABB1 80' Tu 270' Tu 315' Tu 390' Tu 430' Tu 490' Tu	be be be be	1962 1976	20 18.40 17.65 17.96 17.94 17.56 17.60 18.10	107 548 80 270 315 390 430 490	6 18 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5	107 *** 77 267 312 387 427 487	6 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5	S,77-80 S,267-270 S,312-315 S,387-390 S,427-430 S,487-490	UG/TGA UG/TGA TSA TSA SGA SGA SGA	-1.03 0.94 9.93 9.87	08/08/62 11/09/81 11/09/81 11/09/81 11/09/81 11/09/81	60 N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	50 N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	4 N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	B	24DA1, exploratory well
4DD1 5AD1	Parkrose Water Dist City of Portland	1981 1981	39 150	680 500	10	 29		A X,29-500	N/A UG/TGA/			N/A	N/A	N/A	-	
5BA1 5BA2 5BA3	Blair Holcomb C.P. Springsted Ronald Young	1947 1949 1962	95 100 98	133 75 70	8 6 6	74 66	6 6	P,47-88 X,74-75 X,66-70	TSA UG/TGA UG/TGA UG/TGA	92.6 52 50	05/00/49 00/00/49 01/08/62	32 30		1	-	
SCBCC1	Richland Water Dist Pete Place	1956	252 260	490 142	12 6	335	12	P,145-330	UG/TGA UG/TGA		09/12/56 04/26/57	220	94	4	P -	NO. 2
CB1	Parkrose School Dist	1958	279	415	10	400	10	P,222-226 P,374-386		236	07/23/58	450	9	5	P	Test data for both open intervals
SCB2 SDD1 SDD2 SDD3	Columbia Sand & Grvl Richland Water Dist Richland Water Dist Richland Water Dist	1961 1947 1959	280 255 260 260	388 400 470 300	8 12 12	377 388 445	6 10 8-12	P,305-370 P,165-383 P,315-440	UG/TGA UG/TGA	203 128 199 150	04/15/61 03/00/47 07/15/59	140 240 325	23 50 88	24 12 6		NO. 1 NO. 3
6DD4 7BB1 7DCCC1 80° Tu 229° Tu 442° Tu 708° Tu 780° Tu	be be be	1960 1952 1976	265 210 291.90 291.22 291.36 291.48 291.23 290.83	250 265 835 80 229 439 708 780	16 12 18 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5	250 265 *** 77 226 429 705 777	1.5 1.5 1.5	P, 195-250 P, 217-247 S, 77-80 S, 226-229 S, 439-442 S, 705-708 S, 777-780	UG/TGA UG/TGA UG/TGA UG/TGA SGA	198 249.38	05/21/60 04/03/52 10/28/81 10/28/81	195 750 N/A N/A N/A N/A	51 .63 N/A N/A N/A N/A	14 8 N/A N/A N/A N/A	P P - -	NO. 4 27DC1, Exploratory well
41' Tu 72' Tu				75 41 72 200 417	12 8 12	36 200 417	8 10-12	*** P,165-195 P,195-416		38.67 160	03/08/73 03/11/69	N/A N/A N/A ~60 776	N/A N/A N/A 39	N/A N/A N/A 2	-	Piezometer well Rose City Golf Course
	City of Portland be be be		204.43 203.52 203.53 203.74 203.51		18 1.5 1.5 1.5	*** 201 444 700 806	1.5 1.5 1.5	S,201-204 S,444-447 S,700-713 S,806-809	UG/TGA UG/TGA SGA	152.05 159.65 161.73	05/16/84 05/16/84 05/16/84 05/16/84	N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	-	29DA1, Exploratory well
GCB1	City of Portland Rose City Golf Course	1968 1945	185 212	265 203	12 10	263 208	12 8	P,215-256 P,160-203			06/21/68 09/00/45	990 400	50	6	P -	
DC1 CC1 CB1 CD1	NW Natural Gas Co R.W. Mangels Providence Hospital William Reed Fred Mover	1983 1945 1947	222 160 200 195 255	298 163 164 170	10 8 12 12	250 295	1 8 12	P,151-157 P,136-148 P,185-280	UG/TGA	116	08/00/45 02/22/62 	N/A 50 360 500	N/A 14 8 42	2	- P P -	Not a water well
DD1 DABA1 DAAB1 AB1 AB2	Fred Meyer Montavilla Ice&Coal Russellville Wtr Dist Russellville Wtr Dist Hazelwood Wtr Dist Hazelwood Wtr Dist	1941	255 258 287 287 290 289	295 197 252 304 500 500	6 12 12 12	295 252 304 500 400	12 12 12 8 6	P,185-280 P,243-248 P,222-290 S,415-490 S,370-484	UG/TGA	228 229 260	09/15/61 04/00/41 11/00/41 11/21/77 04/22/82	250 300 575 300	18 22 63 120	12	P P P P	
SAC1 SCD1	Multnomah County Mobile Village	1984 1968	310 305	500 330	10 14	500 327	5	S,442-487 P,165-324	UG/TGA	226	03/23/84 08/28/68	500 216	133	4 8	P P	

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1.5DD1 Sundial Tug & Barge 19AC1 KWJJ Radio Station 19ADBB1 City of Portland 19ADB2 City of Portland 19BACD1 City of Portland 19BACD2 City of Portland	1963 1965 1982 1980 1980	21 10 24.98 23 23	103 217 316 576 534	6 10 6	96 210 287 310 534	6 6 6 12	X,96-103 X,210-217 S,198-277 S,369-526	N/A ?? TSA SGA SGA	30 10 10 -11.55 -11.55	04/09/63 08/11/65 11/24/82 07/29/80 07/15/80	18 30 400 300	32 50 49 22	2 3 4	B B P - P	Destroyed 15TW 15FW; no log available 4TW 4FW
9BBCB1 City of Portland 19BBCB2 City of Portland 19BDCD2 City of Portland 19BDDC2 City of Portland 19CBAA1 City of Portland	1980 1980 1981 1982 1980	24 24 23.93 23.93	319 317 500	24 10 20 6 24	319 317 486 490 340	6 12 6 12 6	S,369-523 S,240-307 S,238-287 S,380-476 S,376-485 S,235-327	TSA TSA SGA SGA TSA	7.80 7 -3.47 -3.47 5	04/14/80 07/18/80 11/12/81 03/22/82 09/10/80	300 2400 370 2500 300	25 145 65 71 25	4 62 4 24	P P P P	3TW 3PW 9TW 9PW 5TW
9CBBA2 City of Portland OAC1 Jim Murrell OAC2 Jim Murrell OADCB1 City of Portland OADCB2 City of Portland	1980 1966 1971 1978 1983	17 20 25 21.83 21.83	340 40 66 358	24 6 6 8 22	340 40 66 358 361	12 6 6 6 12	S,243-337 P,23-40 O S,288-348 S,249-352	TSA TSA TSA SGA SGA	5 14 26 7.60 3	09/24/80 11/07/66 11/03/71 01/17/78 06/01/83	2430 50 15 720 2500	115 3 24 55 175	4 1 1 48 48	P B B P	5PW 20AD2 14PW
OADDD1 City of Portland OBC1 Joe Thacker OBDBB1 City of Portland OBDBB2 City of Portland OCB1 Art Spada	1958 1981 1981 1958	25 26 26 20	 84 454 450 77	6 6 20 6	82 450 435 76	6 6 10 6	P,70-80 S,325-446 S,325-430 O	?? SGA SGA UG/TGA	 8 -3.47 1 7.5	07/22/58 08/10/81 11/17/81 01/14/58	15 479 2000 60	74 32 255 18	1 4 48 1	B P P B	No log 7TW 7PW
OCEDC1 City of Portland 180' Tube 250' Tube 370' Tube 490' Tube 815' Tube 040' Tube	1976	20.26 19.12 19.42 19.32 19.39 19.32	180 250 370 490 815	18 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5	367 487 812	1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5	S,177-180 S,247-250 S,367-370 S,487-490 S,812-815 S,1037-104	TSA SGA SGA SGA		07/20/81 07/20/81 07/20/81 07/20/81 07/20/81 07/20/81	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	-	20CB2, Exploratory well
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OCCCD1 Rockwood Wtr Dist 1AC1 City of Portland 1AC2 City of Portland	1979 1978 1978	18 17.43 23.10	505 155	20	498 150	8 6	S,240-270 S,345-490 S,44-130	TSA SGA TSA BLGA	 7 	01/09/78	2000	143	24	P P	Test data for both open intervals Pilot well 21BD (P1)
1AC3 City of Portland 1ACAB1 City of Portland 97' Tube 183' Tube 281' Tube	1978 1982	18.93 42.01	33 304 97 183 281	8 1.5 1.5	 *** 94 180 278	1.5 1.5 1.5	 S,94-97 S,180-183 S,278-281	BLGA BLGA BLGA	36.80 36.50 37.70	 10/11/82 10/11/82 10/11/82	 N/A N/A N/A	 N/A N/A N/A	 N/A N/A /A	-	21AC (P5) 21AC(M1)
ACCBE1 City of Portland IACCA1 Multnomah County IACCA2 City of Portland	1983 1952 1982	25 16 15.93	194 52	36 12 22	165 123	31.5	S,80-160 S,60-118	BLGA BLGA BLGA	19 13	11/16/83 00/00/52 10/13/82	10000 1050	25 7 18	24 191	P - P	17 PW 12 PW
1ACCD1 City of Portland 28' Tube 93' Tube 174' Tube 233' Tube	1982	17.33	250 28 93 174 233	8 1.5 1.5 1.5		1.5 1.5	S,25-28 S,90-93 S,171-174 S,230-233	BLGA BLGA SGA SGA	11.70 11.70 7.30 6.50	10/07/82 10/07/82 10/07/82 10/07/82	N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	-	21AC(M2)
1AD1 City of Portland 1ADAA1 City of Portland 1ADBC1 City of Portland 1ADBC2 City of Portland 1ADDC1 City of Portland	1978 1978 1983 1983 1978	21.22 23.45 15.98 15.98 17.71	90 300 195	 8 36	245 193	 6 31.5	S,78-231 S,88-190	BLGA BLGA BLGA BLGA BLGA	.75 10.30	 05/10/83 10/20/83	N/A N/A 400 8500 N/A	N/A N/A 3 72 N/A	N/A N/A 4 24 N/A	- P P	21AD(P1) 21AD(P2) 18TW 18FW 21AD(P3)
1BCBC1 City of Portland 1BCBC2 City of Portland 1BCBD1 Multnomah County 1BD1 City of Portland 1BDBA1 City of Portland	1983 1962 1978 1982	25.27 24 24.88 28		6 6	120 195	6 6	S,67-112 S,52-193	BLGA BLGA BLGA	10.50 17.74 14	04/27/83 09/02/77 07/13/82	400 N/A 500	2 N/A 4	 N/A 3	P - - P	19TW 19 PW; no log available 21BD(P2) 13TW
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1CBCD2 City of Portland 1DABB1 Blue Lake Wtr Coop 1DACB1 Robert Schloredt	1981 1951	44.69 22	50 70 50	 6			 	TSA TSA TSA	15.77 17	 09/06/77 08/00/57	N/A 	N/A 	N/A 	-	West piezometer No log No log
1DBBB1 City of Portland 33' Tube 128' Tube 226' Tube 322' Tube	1982	29.60	350 33 128 226 322	8 1.5 1.5 1.5	125 223	1.5 1.5	S,30-33 S,125-128 S,223-226 S,320-322	SGA	23.10 23.10 18.80 17.90	10/07/82 10/07/82 10/07/82 10/07/82	N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	-	21DB
1DBBB2 City of Portland 1DBBC1 City of Portland 1DBCC1 Interlachen, Inc 1DBCC2 Interlachen, Inc 1DBDC1 Donald Tuttle	1982 1982 1941 1967 1976	17 20 17 14 32	34 55 109 226 44	 8 10 6	109 220	 8 10	 0 ?? P,201-216	BLGA BLGA ?? TSA TSA	 11 10 24.41	 00/00/41 10/12/67 09/08/77	N/A N/A 30 300	N/A N/A 59 23	N/A N/A 12	- R P	21DB(P1) 21DB(P2)
21DD1 Columbia Acres 22AA1 Dorothy Ferris 22AD1 Fairview Farms, Inc 22BBCA1 Crown Zellerbach 22CBCC1 James Shepherd	1956 1963 1950 1958	10 30 20 27 27	265 103 200 96 310	6 6 12	97 	6 	S,93-98 	TSA ?? ?? ?? ??	30 31.14 26.98	04/09/63 09/08/77 09/09/77	 18 900	32 	2 	- P - -	No log No log

Well number	Owner	Year com- pleted	Alti- tude	Depth of well or tube (ft)	Dia- meter of well or tube (in)	Depth of casing (ft)	(in)	Finish	Hydro- geologic units	Water level above/ below land surface (ft)	Date of water- level maas- ure- ment	Dis- charge (gpm)	Draw- down (ft)	Pump- ing period (hrs)		
27BC1 27CB1	Northwest Natural Gas	 ~1927	100 140	405 150	 10	150	 10	 P.140-150	N/A ??	N/A 35	N/A 01/00/56	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	Not a water well Perf. at 70 ft in 1955
27CBAA1 27CBBB1		1977 1973 1956	110 117 117	486 360 1060	12 16 12	397 361 800	10-12 16 10	P,155-208 P,270-355 P,320-340	TSA TSA SGA	95.50 96 90.14	12/02/77 02/14/73 06/19/56	370 800 	45 155 	38 24 	P P ~	Cmplt to 390 ft, FAIRVIEW #6 FAIRVIEW #5 FAIRVIEW #3
27DACC1 27DC1 28AA1 28ABCD1 28AD1	City of Wood Village Gordon Coulsey Columbia Acres Ralph Watters J. Luscher	1980 1971 1956 1950 1951	133 142 22 51 95	300 72 265 92 165	12 6 12 12 8	200 67 265 92 140	12 6 10-12 12 8	S,200-280 X,67-72 P,200-265 P,65-90 X,140-165	?? UG/TGA SGA TSA TSA	98 10 38 61	04/08/80 05/03/71 05/25/56 08/25/50 00/00/51	500 20 1500 400 60	57 45 100 36	24 2 4 8	P B P P	
28BB2 28BBCC1 28BC1 28BC2 28BC4	Sandy Mobile Villa Ed Wade E.E. Willard J. Frank Schmidt Glen Handy	1965 1959 1962 1968	35 80 79 78 112	180 368 160 284 335	8 10 8 8 8	180 354 160 280 328	6 10 8 8	P,162-179 S,353-368 P,130-160 P,158-277 P,215-320	SGA SGA TSA TSA/SGA SGA	60 55 36 63 93	07/09/65 12/11/59 05/14/62 12/00/68	150 450 275 200 150	60 62 39 84 25	6 4 4 5 4	P P R P	
28BC5 28CB1 28CBAB1 28DCDD1	Ron Schomoyer B.E. Davis Jay Hoyt City of Fairview	1982 1944 1964 1963	75 145 110 185	110 65 192 420	6 6 8 16	98 65 190 355	6 6 6 12-16	P,70-90 P,54-62 P,140-190 P,105-350	TSA ?? TSA UG/TGA/ TSA	68 16 103 68	06/25/82 12/00/44 03/17/64 10/04/63	30 20 60 325	22 8 37 124	1 1 5 8	B R B P	FAIRVIEW #4
29AA1	Joe Cereghino	1959	78	100	6		6		??	60	03/20/59	45	80		В	
29AA3 29AA4 29AB1 29AC1	Kazuo Kikkawa Howard Angell Boeing of Portland Boeing of Portland	1956 1971 ?? 1986	82 75 82 82	103 180 111 153	6 8 12	100 180 N/A	6 7 N/A	X,100-103 P,140-180 N/A	TSA TSA N/A	50 57 N/A	03/10/56 09/27/71 N/A	25 130 N/A	5 N/A	2 N/A	B - -	Verbal drillers log BOP -14
29AC2	Boeing of Portland	1986	127	193	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	BOP - 13
29AC3 29AD1 29AD2 29BA1 29BA2	Boeing of Portland F.D. Shepherd Sandy Mobile Manor Jean Cereghino Boeing of Portland	1986 1951 1968 1985 1986	80 82 85 72 85	35 250 191 96 70	8 8 10	250 191 96	6 6 5	P. 159-250 P. 152-190 P. 45-96	?? TSA ??	55 60 29	10/16/51 02/23/68 09/07/85	250 140 10	140 54 38	1 6 3	R P B	BOP - 19/C3
29BA3 29BB1 29BB2	Boeing of Portland Cereghino Bros Cereghino Bros	1986 1957 1961	80 95 95	97.1 127 273	5 8 10	 273	8 8-10	 P,125-273	UG/TGA UG/TGA/	 59	 03/11/57 10/11/71	35 555	90 65	 5	- R P	BOP - 8
29BB3 29BC1	Boeing of Portland Boeing of Portland	1986 1986	75 136	177 230	8 6	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	TSA N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	BOP - 7 BOP - 11
29BC2 29BC3 29BD1 29BD2	Boeing of Portland Boeing of Portland Electronic Specialty Boeing of Portland		90 100 100 112	151 198 297 297	6 12 16	N/A 297 297	N/A 10-12 8	N/A P,157-282 S,247-287	N/A TSA TSA	N/A 71 96	N/A 09/16/64 03/03/76	N/A 325 425	N/A 30 93	N/A 6 24	N/A P P	BOP - 16 No log Old supply well Supply well
29BD3	Boeing of Portland		116	152	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	BOP - 9
29BD4 29BD5 29BD6 29DA1 29DA2	Boeing of Portland Boeing of Portland Boeing of Portland Cascade Mfg Co Cherry Blossom Mannor	1986 1986 1964	135 110 84 120 120	98 51 70 280 286	6 8 8	N/A 199 286	N/A 8 6	N/A P,145-195 P,267-283	N/A TSA SGA	N/A 122 127	N/A 10/03/64 08/30/67	N/A 155 65	N/A 20 75	N/A 2 8	N/A - - P P	BOP - 12 BOP - 10 BOP - 17/C1
29DCDD1 29DCDD2	Rockwood Wtr Dist Rockwood Wtr Dist	1976 1980	195 195	456 699	10 16	386 692	6 16	S,322-376	TSA	164 190	03/22/76 10/03/80	300	102	48	P -	
30AA1 30AADB1 30AD1	Boeing of Portland Richard Bottaro George Smith	?? 1958 1967	100 92 140	54 120 53	6 6	119	6 6	0 X,34-53	?? UG/TGA	57 32	08/08/58 02/00/67	60 20	13 1	 2 2	P B	No log
30BA1 30CCAC1 30DADD1 30DB1	Handy Nursery Union PLaza John Deere Co Eugene Yale	1968 1979 1964 1958	75 205 178 175	132 700 429 236	8 16 8	700 389 236	6 10-12 6	P,475-620 P,122-296 P,226-236	UG/TGA TSA UG/TGA UG/TGA	155 114	06/04/79 08/07/64 10/28/58	70 305 98	80 140 73	3 24 8	A P P	
31CDCD1 161' Tu 322' Tu 395' Tu 568' Tu 965' Tu	be be be	1976	252.88	1000 161 322 395 568 965	18 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5	*** 159 319 392 565 962	1.5 1.5 1.5	S,159-161 S,319-322 S,392-395 S,565-568 S,962-965	UG/TGA CU1 CU1 TSA SGA	92.98 92.02 194.68	10/28/81 10/28/81 10/28/81 10/28/81 10/28/81	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A		31CD1, Exploratory well
31DD1 32DD1 32DDAB1	Mobil Oil Co Norman Hollars Northwest Natural Gas	1982 1969 1975	246 242 243	63 115 300	4 6	63 115	4 6 	S,53-63 O	?? UG/TGA N/A		11/03/82 10/27/69	50 	 5 	 6 	- B	Test well Not a water well
33ADDA1 141' Tu 277' Tu 379' Tu 569' Tu 679' Tu 1110' Tu	be be be be	1976	197.36	1128 144 280 382 572 682 1113	18 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5	141 277 379 569 679 1110	1.5 1.5 1.5	S,141-144 S,277-280 S,379-382 S,569-572 S,679-682 S,1110-111	UG/TGA UG/TGA TSA SGA SGA	142.08 110.83 174.49 176.34	10/28/81 10/28/81 10/28/81 10/28/81 10/28/81 10/28/81	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	- - -	33AD1, Exploratory well
33BBCA1 33BD1 33CA1 33CC1 34AA1	Reynolds High School W. Pacific Constrctn Rogers Constrctn Inc Robert Robbins Grimm	1981	200 202 212 235 168	305 60 213 40 360	10 6 16 6 10	305 60 199 198	8-10 6 16 6 8	P,205-305 P,20-60 P,47-185 X,198-360	?? ?? ?? ?? ??	90 5 9 2.25	12/04/57 12/04/61 03/12/57 09/09/55 00/00/42	220 100 600	92 60 121	6 2 16 	Α	
34AABC1 34BBDD1 34CA1	City of Wood Village Mult Kennel Club Bauman		170 176 285	360 405 360	12 12 10	355 355	8 8	P,170-180 P,284-294 P,340-355 P,170-355	?? ?? ??	65 103	00/00/42 05/00/56	200 350 200	100 73 165	 1	P R R	Wood Village #1 No log

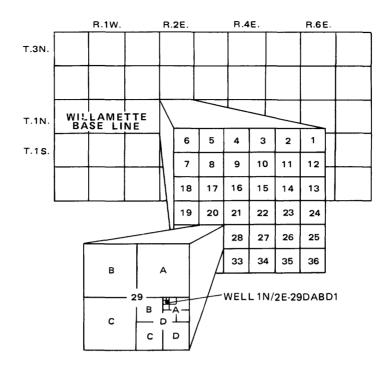


Figure 2.--Well-numbering system.

Many studies have contributed to our current understanding of the volcanic and sedimentary processes that have taken place in this region. A generalized stratigraphy of the area, as modified from the work of others (see references) and from data collected in this investigation, is summarized in figure 3. The surface geology in the study area is shown on sheet 1 (modified after Trimble, 1963), along with a diagrammatic section of the relations of the various units described in this study.

The reader is referred to the list of selected references for a more detailed discussion of the geologic history and stratigraphy of the area.

Older Rocks

Older sedimentary and volcanic rocks underlie the sedimentary hydrogeologic system described in this report and are exposed outside the study area. The older rock sequences include the Skamania Volcanics, Columbia River Basalt Group, and Rhododendron Formation. These formations range from late Eocene to late Miocene in age (fig. 3).

Deformation of these older rocks created a broad structural basin referred to informally as the Portland Basin (Beeson and others, 1985). This basin is bounded, in general, by the Tualatin Mountains to the west and the Cascade Range to the east (Trimble, 1963). The northern and southern limits of the basin are not as clearly defined. Data from deep wells indicate that the thickness of sedimentary deposits in the Portland Basin may exceed 1,300 feet. However, the shape of the basin and the thickness and extent of the older rocks are unknown.

SYSTEM	SERIES	STRATIGRAPHIC UNIT
	Holocene	Alluvium
		Sand, gravel, silt, and clay
QUATERNARY	Pleistocene	Boring Lava and Volcanic rocks of the High Cascade Range
	Pliocene	Troutdale Formation
	?	Sandy River Mudstone
	Miocene	Rhododendron Formation
	WHOCCHE	Columbia River Basalt group
TERTIARY	-	Skamania Volcanics
	Oligocene	
	Eocene	

Figure 3.--Generalized stratigraphic correlation chart of the regional area. Modified from Tolan and Beeson (1984, 1985); Swanson (1986), including interpretations of Trimble (1963); Wise (1970); Waters (1973); Hammond (1979, 1980); Anderson (1980); Priest and others (1982).

Skamania Volcanics are exposed northeast of the study area along the south shore of Lady Island and along the north shore of the Columbia River (Trimble, 1963). The formation may underlie the northeast portion of the study area at depths below existing wells. Rocks of generally low permeability may form part of a hydrogeologic boundary for the aquifer system described in this report.

Flows of the Columbia River Basalt Group underlie the study area, but their thickness and extent are not well defined due to a lack of deep wells in the area. The Columbia River Basalt Group is interpreted to be present at a depth of 683 feet below sea level in a well (lN/3E-27CBBB1) in the eastern part of the study area (Hogenson and Foxworthy, 1965). On the southwestern edge of the study area, Piper (1942) indicated that at least 400 feet of the Columbia River Basalt Group underlies 1,300 feet of sediments in the Ladd well (lN/1E-36ADCD1). The top of the Columbia River Basalt Group at that well is at an altitude of 1,082 feet below sea level. More than 1,100 feet of sediment younger than the Columbia River Basalt Group was logged in a well (lN/3E-20CBDC1) in the north-central part of the study area (Willis, 1977; Hoffstetter, 1984). The altitude of the bottom of the well is 1,080 feet below sea level.

Flow units of the Columbia River Basalt Group have not been utilized as aquifers within the study area because of their depth within the basin. Elsewhere, at the margins of the basin, flow units of the Columbia River Basalt Group are used as aquifers.

The Rhododendron Formation is exposed southeast of the study area in the Sandy River and Bull Run River. This formation may or may not underlie the aquifer system described in this report. Lahars present within the lower Troutdale Formation to the east of the study area have been correlated with rocks of the Rhododendron Formation (Tolan and Beeson, 1984a).

Sandy River Mudstone and Troutdale Formation

The most areally extensive hydrogeologic units in the study area occur within the Sandy River Mudstone and the Troutdale Formation. Claystone, siltstone, and sandstone beds of the Sandy River Mudstone and sandstone and conglomerate beds of the Troutdale Formation overlie flows of the Columbia River Basalt Group in the Portland Basin (Trimble, 1963). These sediments represent a large thickness of lacustrine and fluvial material, derived from sources to the east of the study area and deposited within an active structural basin (Trimble, 1963; Beeson and others, 1985). The Troutdale Formation and the Sandy River Mudstone range in age from late Miocene to Pliocene (fig. 3).

Two facies of the Troutdale Formation have been described by Tolan and Beeson (1984a). The ancestral Columbia River facies is composed chiefly of fluvial conglomerates containing foreign clasts such as quartzite and granite deposited by the Columbia River. Locally derived clasts deposited by Cascadian streams form what is termed the Cascadian stream facies. The distribution of these two facies of the Troutdale Formation is shown in figure 4.

The ancestral Columbia River facies of the Troutdale Formation has been subdivided into two distinct lithologic members, based on the onset of high-alumina basalt volcanism in the lower Columbia River Gorge area (Tolan and Beeson, 1984a). The lower member is described as primarily quartzite-bearing, basaltic conglomerates and micaceous, arkosic sand. The upper member is characterized by the presence of basaltic glass and clasts of high-alumina basalt composition (Tolan and Beeson, 1984a; Swanson, 1986). This material forms vitric-lithic sandstones and conglomerates.

Comparison of geochemical analyses of drill cuttings from the study area and analyses of outcrop samples from the lower Columbia River Gorge area indicate that the transition between upper and lower members of the ancestral Columbia River facies can be identified in the study area (Swanson, 1986). This correlation establishes the stratigraphic position of some of the hydrogeologic units described in this report.

Coarse-grained material of the Troutdale Formation generally forms good aquifers within the study area and elsewhere in the region. The Sandy River Mudstone is not generally noted for productive aquifers. However, coarse-grained layers of the Sandy River Mudstone do form aquifers in the study area. Outside the study area, detailed mapping of Troutdale Formation and Sandy River Mudstone is not presently available. Future geologic mapping may allow interpretation of their depositional relations which will provide new information on the extent and thickness location of water-yielding sediments.

Boring Lava

Boring Lava is exposed in the Portland area as numerous volcanic vents, such as Mount Tabor and Rocky Butte (fig. 1). High-alumina basalt of the Boring Lava intruded Troutdale Formation and Sandy River Mudstone sediments and was erupted onto an extensively eroded surface of the Troutdale Formation (Trimble, 1963). These volcanic vents truncate hydrogeologic units in the southwestern part of the study area (sheets 2-4). East of the study area, high-alumina basalt flows are found intercalated with and overlying the upper part of the Troutdale Formation (Williams, 1916; Lowry and Baldwin, 1952; Tolan, 1982; Tolan and Beeson, 1984a).

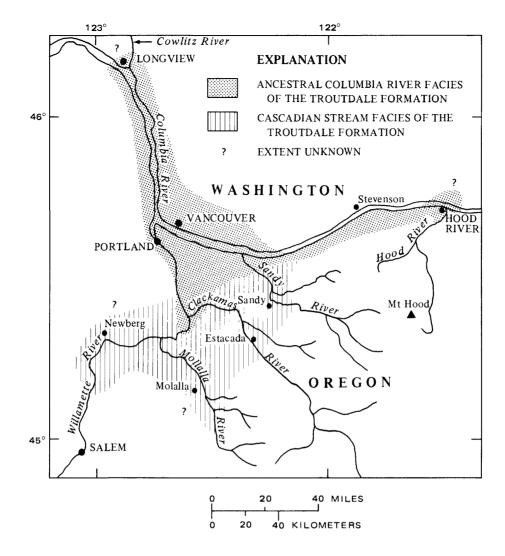


Figure 4.--Facies distribution of the Troutdale Formation (from Tolan and Beeson, 1984b).

Boring Lava of the Portland area and volcanic rocks of the High Cascade Range are informally grouped together on the basis of similar age and lithology (Peck and others, 1964). These rocks are also informally referred to as high-alumina basalt, on the basis of major-oxide analyses (Tolan and Beeson, 1984a). The age range of these high-alumina basalts is late Pliocene to Pleistocene, on the basis of stratigraphic relations and age dating of basalt flows (Tolan, 1982; Tolan and Beeson, 1984a; Wise, 1969; Hammond, 1979).

Significant amounts of vitric sand (basaltic glass) and basaltic clasts of high-alumina basalt composition (Swanson, 1986) form excellent aquifers within the upper part of the Troutdale Formation in the study area. This material was derived from interaction of high-alumina basalt flows with the ancestral Columbia River in the lower Columbia River Gorge area (Tolan and Beeson, 1984b).

Ground water in the Boring Lava occurs mainly in perched zones above the regional water table (Hogenson and Foxworthy, 1965). Wells in these zones have generally small yields. Boring Lava flows were encountered between 23 and 206 feet above sea level in a well (1N/2E-21CCCD1) just west of Rocky Butte (sheet 1). These flow units yielded no ground water.

Quaternary Deposits

The detail of recent geologic events in the Portland area is not thoroughly understood. Regional tectonic uplift, volcanic activity, interglacial changes in sea level, and failure of glacial ice dams (upstream in the Columbia River Drainage system) combined to create many periods of erosion, channel incision, and deposition during Pleistocene time. Flood deposits and terrace deposits of sand, silt, gravel, and clay have accumulated to several hundred feet in thickness in the Portland area. Mudflows and other volcanic debris were deposited from nearby volcanic centers. Weathering and erosion have modified the original surface of these Quaternary deposits.

Pleistocene channel segments, cut by the ancestral Columbia River and filled with sand and gravel deposits, have been identified on the basis of seismic reflection profiling and interpretation of well data (Willis, 1978; McFarland and others, 1982; Hoffstetter, 1984).

HYDROGEOLOGIC UNITS

In this report, the sequence of Tertiary and Quaternary sediments is divided into distinct hydrogeologic units (aquifers and confining units) on the basis of their water-bearing properties. An aquifer is defined as a water-bearing layer of rock that will yield a usable quantity of water to a well or spring. Confining units are composed of relatively fine-grained sediments which have distinctly lower permeability than adjacent aquifers. Hydrogeologic units may cross known stratigraphic boundaries where coarse or fine-grained material of two formations are grouped together, forming one aquifer or confining unit. Aquifers and confining units also may occur as local features or may exist as regionally extensive units.

Five hydrogeologic units have been identified in the East Portland study area (Willis, 1977, 1978; Hoffstetter, 1984); these units can be correlated with sediments identified as the Troutdale Formation and the underlying Sandy River Mudstone. These hydrogeologic units are informally referred to, from oldest to youngest, as the (1) sand and gravel aquifer, (2) confining unit 2, (3) Troutdale sandstone aquifer, (4) confining unit 1, and (5) unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer. Only a part of the unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer unit is correlative with the Troutdale Formation; see description in text. Correlation of informal unit names used in this report with those used by previous workers is shown in figure 5.

Near the area of the Columbia River floodplain, these units strike generally north-northwest and dip gently (less than 2 degrees) southwest toward the interpreted center of the basin. Complex structure on the north and east margins of the Portland Basin (Davis, 1988; and Swanson, 1986) and extensive erosion in the Blue Lake area combine to create irregular surfaces and thicknesses of the five hydrogeologic units in this area. Units may also be truncated or more steeply dipping in these areas (sheets 2 to 6). A cross section along the south shore of the Columbia River shows some of these features (sheet 1).

Hydrogeologic units included in the Troutdale Formation and Sandy River Mudstone have been exposed to erosion during periods of intermittent deposition and incision of the ancestral Columbia, Sandy, and Clackamas Rivers during Pleistocene and Holocene time (Trimble, 1963). Two paleochannel segments have been identified on the south shore of the Columbia River (Willis, 1978; McFarland and others, 1982; Hoffstetter, 1984). The deposits that fill those channel segments form aquifers of limited extent (fig. 5) and are informally referred to as the (1) Blue Lake gravel aquifer and (2) Columbia River sand aquifer.

The Columbia River floodplain is mantled with fine-grained surface deposits, which overlie hydrogeologic units of the study area. These deposits are primarily the result of intermittent flooding of the Columbia River and are informally referred to as overbank deposits in this study (fig. 5).

SYSTEM	SERIES	HYDROGEOLOGIC UNIT										
STSTEW	JENIES	WILLIS; 1977, 1978	HOFFSTETTER; 1984	THIS REPORT								
		Unnamed clayey and sandy silt	Recent floodplain deposits	Overbank deposits								
QUATERNARY	Pleistocene	Blue Lake aquifer	Blue Lake aquifer	Blue Lake gravel aquifer								
		Columbia River sands	Columbia River sands aquifer	Columbia River sand aquifer								
	?-?-?-	Troutdale gravel aquifer	Parkrose gravel aquifer	Unconsolidated gravel/ Troutdale gravel aquifer								
		Unnamed aquitard	Parkrose aquitard	Confining unit 1								
TERTIARY	Pliocene	Troutdale sandstone aquifer	Troutdale sandstone aquifer	Troutdale sand stone aquifer								
		Unnamed aquitard	Rose City aquitard	Confining unit 2								
	?? Upper Miocene	Sandy River Mudstone aquifer	Rose City aquifer Lower Rose City aquifer	Sand and gravel aquifer								

Figure 5.--Correlation of informal hydrogeologic-unit names used in this study with those used by previous investigators.

Sand and Gravel Aquifer

The sand and gravel aquifer is the lowermost hydrogeologic unit in the study area and consists of a thick section of sand, silt, gravel, and clay beds. Sand and gravel predominate at the top of the unit, grading to relatively fine-grained material near the bottom. Some lenticular deposits also are present. At depth some coarse-grained material is present, on the basis of well-log data from well 1N/2E-29DABD1 in the southwestern part of the study area. The sand and gravel aquifer underlies the entire study area. This unit may have a maximum thickness in excess of 560 feet, on the basis of lithologic and aquifer-test data in the southeastern part of the study area at well 1N/3E-33ADDA1 (sheet 2).

The sand and gravel aquifer is one of the more important aquifers in the study area; however, lithologic correlation using well records is difficult because of a scarcity of wells drilled in this unit. This aquifer can be divided into two lithologic units: a relatively coarsegrained upper unit and a predominately fine-grained lower unit.

In the western part of the study area, the upper unit consists primarily of fine to medium vitric-lithic sand with minor amounts of gravel. The sand is chiefly vitric material (basaltic glass) with varying percentages of basalt and quartz sand. Minor thin lenses of greenish-blue clay to gray-brown silt and minor clasts of basaltic composition occur throughout. This upper unit is locally indurated, and thickness varies from 50-120 feet.

Toward the eastern part of the study area, the upper unit becomes thicker, more cemented, and consists primarily of basaltic clasts in a sandy matrix. These clasts consist of quartzite-bearing basaltic gravel with minor cobbles. Black vitric sand predominates near the top of the unit, forming lenses in the matrix. At depth, the sand becomes more lithic with varying percentages of quartz and basalt sand and a trace of muscovite. Minor thin lenses of gray-green clay and gray-brown silt occur near the bottom of the unit. Thickness ranges from 120 to greater than 200 feet. Cementation is common in the eastern part of the upper unit of the sand and gravel aquifer. Underlying the Blue Lake area, the upper unit of the sand and gravel aquifer has been partially eroded. The composition of the sand and gravel aquifer in this location changes over a short distance, becoming relatively fine-grained to the east. Based on limited well data, this transition may be interpreted as another type of channel fill or may represent a facies change within the sand and gravel aquifer.

In the study area, the transition between upper and lower units is gradual. In general, fine-grained material is more prevalent at depth within the sand and gravel aquifer. The lower unit is composed of lenses of fine- to coarse-grained sediment, but is predominately fine-grained. Light blue-grey sandy to silty clay layers are interbedded with layers of micaceous, quartzitic, and basaltic sand. Sand and gravel of quartzitic and basaltic composition occur in lenses throughout the lower unit, but are not common.

Correlation of basaltic glass (vitric material) in the upper unit of the sand and gravel aquifer in the study area with basaltic glass clasts from outcrops in the lower Columbia River Gorge (Swanson, 1986) suggests that the upper unit is part of the informal upper member of the ancestral Columbia River facies of the Troutdale Formation (Tolan and Beeson, 1984a). On the basis of similar lithology, the fine-grained lower unit of the sand and gravel aquifer appears to be more closely related to lacustrine sediments of the Sandy River Mudstone.

Confining Unit 2

The sand and gravel aquifer unit is overlain by fine-grained material of confining unit 2 throughout most of the study area. Along the Columbia River floodplain, confining unit 2 ranges from about 0 to 100 feet in thickness. To the south and southeast, confining unit 2 becomes more than 180 feet in thickness (well 1N/3E-31CDCD1). To the southwest, confining unit 2 thins to less than 30 feet in thickness. In the Blue Lake area, confining unit 2 dips more steeply to the west than

is observed in the rest of the study area. Here confining unit 2 abruptly thins and disappears beneath the Blue Lake gravel aquifer (sheets 1 and 2). To the west, confining unit 2 dips more gently (less than 2 degrees). South of the floodplain, confining unit 2 dips generally to the south. Few wells penetrate this unit in this area. The top of confining unit 2 appears to be a heavily eroded surface (sheet 2).

Confining unit 2 acts as a leaky confining layer (Willis, 1978) between the upper unit of the sand and gravel aquifer and the overlying Troutdale sandstone aquifer. Greyish-olive clay with minor silt and thin lenses of fine- to medium-grained basaltic sand form the predominant lithology of this unit. A claystone occurs near the bottom of confining unit 2 in most of the study area. Fine-grained sediments of confining unit 2 are interpreted as lacustrine beds, deposited in a closed basin that existed for a short period of time because of local tectonic deformation (Trimble, 1963).

Troutdale Sandstone Aquifer

Sand, sandstone, and conglomerate that compose the Troutdale sandstone aquifer overlie fine-grained material of confining unit 2. The Troutdale sandstone aquifer averages about 100 feet in thickness in the study area, except where it has been partly or completely eroded. South of the floodplain area, the Troutdale sandstone aquifer dips southwest in the direction of City of Portland exploratory well (1N/2E-29DABD1); at this location the top of the Troutdale sandstone aquifer is at 387 feet below sea level. Approximately 0.5 miles north of this well, another well (1N/2E-21CCCD1) fails to penetrate the top of the Troutdale sandstone aquifer. The bottom-hole altitude is 408 feet below sea level, and it is possible that the Troutdale sandstone aquifer is present at a greater depth.

In the northeastern part of the study area, south of Blue Lake, an exposed ridge of sandstone trends west-northwest and dips about 12 to 14 degrees southwest. This ridge is interpreted to be part of the Troutdale sandstone aquifer on the basis of geochemical and lithologic similarities and stratigraphic relations. The change in dip from less than 2 degrees (west of Blue Lake) to about 12 to 14 degrees (south of Blue Lake) is interpreted as a homoclinal feature (Swanson, 1986). The Troutdale sandstone aquifer crops out south of Blue Lake and to the south and east of Fairview Lake. Complex structure and extensive erosion in this area make an interpretation of the Troutdale sandstone aquifer thickness and upper surface difficult to describe and map (sheet 3). North of Blue Lake, the Troutdale sandstone aquifer is thought to be completely removed by erosion. Large isolated sandstone blocks are seen at the surface and noted within materials of the Blue Lake gravel aquifer.

The Troutdale sandstone aquifer thins to less than half its average thickness (about 100 feet) in the area of a paleochannel segment in the northwestern part of the study area (sheet 3). Channel erosion does not appear to be a reasonable hypothesis for thinning of the Troutdale sandstone aquifer in this location because confining unit 1, which overlies the Troutdale sandstone aquifer, does not appear to have been completely removed by channel erosion leaving the Troutdale sandstone aquifer intact in this location (sheet 3). The thickness of the Troutdale sandstone aquifer in this location may be the result of numerous variables such as minor faulting or perhaps deposition on an extensively eroded surface (of confining unit 2).

The Troutdale sandstone aquifer is the most lithologically unique hydrogeologic unit in the study area; it consists of two distinct units. Sand, sandstone, and minor thin silty-clay lenses of the upper unit compose two-thirds of the Troutdale sandstone aquifer; a conglomerate, composed chiefly of basaltic gravel, forms the lower unit. At the northwestern edge of the study area, the lower unit of the Troutdale sandstone aquifer gradually becomes composed of a greater percentage of sand versus gravel-sized material.

Sand and sandstone of the upper unit consist mainly of relatively clean, moderate- to well-sorted, angular to sub-rounded black basaltic glass (sideromelane). Local alteration of sideromelane grains to palagonite (Trimble, 1963) has resulted in formation of a cementing agent in the Troutdale sandstone aquifer unit. Thin blue to blue-green silty clay lenses occur in the upper one-half of this unit.

Basaltic glass and clay of the upper unit of the Troutdale sandstone aquifer exhibit a relatively unique signature on natural gamma logs completed for some of wells in the study area. The sequence of basaltic glass-clay-basaltic glass at the top of the Troutdale sandstone aquifer correlates with corresponding low-high-low natural gamma activity. This feature is a positive correlation tool for indicating the top of the Troutdale sandstone aquifer in the study area.

The lower unit of the Troutdale sandstone aquifer consists mainly of quartzite-bearing basalt conglomerate with a silty-to-sandy matrix composed primarily of vitric-lithic material. Minor lenses of vitric-lithic sand occur, but are not as common. The cemented gravels of the basalt conglomerate are well rounded and poorly sorted.

The Troutdale sandstone aquifer unit is considered to be part of the upper member of the ancestral Columbia River facies of the Troutdale Formation, based on lithological and geochemical similarity of well cuttings in the study area to outcrop samples in the lower Columbia River Gorge (Swanson, 1986).

Confining Unit 1

The Troutdale sandstone aquifer unit is overlain by fine-grained sediments of confining unit 1, which is found throughout most of the study area, except where removed by erosion. Estimated thickness ranges from 0 to 150 feet in the study area, averaging about 100 feet west of the Blue Lake area underlying the Columbia River floodplain. The absence of confining unit 1 north and south of Blue Lake possibly is the result of erosion. In the northwestern part of the study area, confining unit 1 has been partially removed by erosion of an ancestral Columbia River as interpreted from well cuttings in that area.

At the site of well 1N/3E-33ADDAl, fine-grained material of confining unit 1 is not described in the geologic log of the well. A coarser-grained unit (indistinct from the unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer acts as a confining unit between the Troutdale sandstone aquifer and unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer. At this location, the confining unit 1 is noted on the contour maps as "not present," although it may be present as a coarser-grained facies (sheet 4).

Dark olive-grey to grey-brown sand, silt, and clay are the predominant lithology of confining unit 1. Black vitric sand or sandstone occurs in beds ranging from 5 to 15 feet in thickness. These vitric beds occur near the top of confining unit 1 in the east part of the study area and near the bottom of the unit to the west. Most well logs and geophysical logs in the study area indicate that a clay with relatively high natural gamma activity occurs at the bottom of this unit.

Sediments of confining unit 1 appear to be of lacustrine origin similar to the sediments observed in confining unit 2, probably deposited in a closed basin that existed for a relatively short period of time.

Unconsolidated Gravel/Troutdale Gravel Aquifer

The unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer overlies confining unit 1 in most of the study area, except where it has been removed by erosion in the northwestern and northeastern parts of the study area. The unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer consists of gravels of the Troutdale Formation of late Pliocene age and also younger Pleistocene gravels, which are undifferentiated in well-log Hogenson and Foxworthy (1965) used several criteria to distinguish Pleistocene gravels from gravels of the Troutdale Formation. Their observations indicated that, in general, unconsolidated Pleistocene gravels overlie cemented gravels of the Troutdale Formation. However, cementation appears to occur in both units in the study area (as noted in well reports and geologic logs) and therefore cannot be used to differentiate them. It has also been observed that Pleistocene gravels are composed mainly of locally derived basaltic clasts, while Troutdale gravels have been noted to consist of as much as 30 percent foreign clasts such as quartzite or granitic rocks (Trimble, 1963; Cole, 1982). In drillers' reports, clast composition is rarely recorded. Therefore, for the purposes of this study, these Pleistocene gravels are informally included in the unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer.

The unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer ranges in thickness from about 0 to 580 feet, gradually increasing in thickness from east to west in the area of the well field. The unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer consists mainly of Troutdale gravels in the well field area; the unit strikes generally east to west. Elsewhere its thickness increases to the south, where a greater percentage of younger Quaternary terrace gravels and flood deposits are grouped with gravels of the upper part of the Troutdale Formation to form what is termed the unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer. The upper surface of this unit crops out south of the Columbia River floodplain; therefore, the altitude of the top of the Troutdale gravel aquifer unit is contoured only on the floodplain (sheet 5).

The Troutdale gravels consist mainly of pebbly to cobbly clast-supported conglomerate with a silty to sandy matrix. Sixty to eighty percent of clasts are composed of sub- to well-rounded basalt, with the remainder composed of quartzite and other foreign clasts. The matrix consists of olive-gray to brown sand, silt, and clay. Thin lenses of material similar to the matrix occur intermittently throughout the unit.

Blue Lake Gravel Aquifer

The Blue Lake gravel aquifer consists of coarse channel deposits of the ancestral Columbia River. It forms an aquifer of limited extent north of Blue Lake in the northeastern part of the study area (sheet 6). An aquifer of similar lithology and extent is present beneath the north shore of the Columbia River near Camas-Washougal, Washington (Mundorff, 1964). The estimated thickness of the Blue Lake gravel aquifer ranges from about 60 to 220 feet in the study area (sheet 6).

The Blue Lake gravel aquifer is composed primarily of boulder-, cobble- and gravel-sized clasts in a minor matrix of clayey to sandy silt. The coarse gravel consists of 60- to 95-percent basalt, with the balance composed of quartzite, granite, and diorite. Minor sandstone cobbles and boulders also are present, along with traces of claystone pebbles and lenses. The unit is clast supported, averaging 80- to 95-percent gravel and 5- to 20-percent matrix. The Blue Lake gravel aquifer becomes siltier with depth.

The southern boundary of this unit is the west-northwest trending sandstone ridge south of Blue Lake. North of the ridge, older hydrogeologic units, including the confining unit 1, Troutdale sandstone aquifer, and part of confining unit 2 and the sand and gravel aquifer, are thought to have been removed by erosion. The stratigraphy of the area is difficult to interpret east of Blue Lake, because of lack of well data. Well data from approximately 2 miles east of Blue Lake have been variously interpreted as representing part of the Sandy River Mudstone and Troutdale Formation (Hogenson and Foxworthy, 1965; Willis, 1978).

Columbia River Sand Aguifer

The Columbia River sand aquifer fills the lower part of a Pleistocene channel segment of the ancestral Columbia River (McFarland and others, 1982; Willis, 1978; Hoffstetter, 1984) in the northwestern part of the study area. This paleochannel segment has a depth of more than 300 feet (Hoffstetter, 1984), and erosion has removed part of the unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer and confining unit 1, as indicated by well data in the study area. More than 250 feet of this channel fill was encountered in well 1N/2E-15BCAC1. This aquifer is of limited extent and follows a general west-northwest trend near the present-day Columbia River (sheet 6).

The Columbia River sand aquifer is composed of gray to gray-brown, fine-grained, commonly quartz-rich basaltic sand that is relatively clean. Traces of silt, siltstone and sandstone fragments, muscovite flakes, wood, shells, and coarse sand and gravel occur throughout the aquifer. The unit generally becomes siltier with depth, but in some drill holes the bottom 10 to 40 feet of the Columbia River sand aquifer contains a coarse sand and gravel layer with minor boulders.

Overbank Deposits

Overbank deposits occur in the study area as the uppermost unit on the Columbia River floodplain. In general, the thickness of these fine-grained deposits is greatest near the modern shoreline of the Columbia River and thins to zero at the southern limit of the floodplain (sheet 6). This unit

thickens in the area of the Columbia River sand aquifer in the northwestern part of the study area (sheet 6). Here the sandy silt deposits in the upper part of the paleochannel are unsaturated and are included in the fine-grained alluvial material of the overbank deposits.

Overbank deposits consist primarily of light olive-brown to dusky yellow-brown silty clay and brown to grey-brown fine-grained sandy silt. These deposits are chiefly the result of intermittent flooding of the Columbia River.

SUMMARY

The lithology, thickness, and extent of a hydrogeologic system within sediments of the Portland Basin are described, on the basis of interpretation of geologic logs, natural gamma logs, aquifer test data, and selected driller reports. Eight hydrogeologic units are represented and correlated with geologic units that have been mapped in the region. The thickness and extent of each hydrogeologic unit are the result of river processes and basin development. Understanding the stratigraphy of the system and its relation to the regional geologic setting strengthens the knowledge of how ground water flows through the system.

The eight hydrogeologic units are distinct and can be traced outside the study area. Units that are part of the Troutdale Formation and Sandy River Mudstone include the sand and gravel aquifer, confining unit 2, Troutdale sandstone aquifer, confining unit 1, and part of the unconsolidated gravel/Troutdale gravel aquifer. The remaining units are associated with Quaternary processes of the Columbia River and are referred to as the Blue Lake gravel aquifer, Columbia River sand aquifer, and overbank deposits.

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